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12 August 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. George Cary, Office of Operations ✓
Mr. Matthew Baird, Office of Training

SUBJECT: Proposed Interdepartmental Committee on
Foreign Language Reference Material

1. The offices of the Agency generally concur in the proposal to establish this committee and that the responsibility within this Agency either rests now or should rest on FDD with important assistance from OTR.

2. As I suggested at the meeting, we would be better prepared if we could state precisely in writing what of these functions are already being performed by the Agency, what ones should be performed whether the committee existed or not, and what ones the Agency should perform if the committee were established. This would undoubtedly lead to some appreciation of the personnel requirements.

3. FDD, Colonel Cain, and OTR, Mr. Stevens, agreed to develop an answer to these questions.



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cc: Mr. Lewis Stevens, OTR
Mr. James Andrews, OCD
Colonel Benjamin Cain, FDD

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AD's Office Col Moreau attended a meeting called by OIC in connection with a proposal by OTR that there be established AN INTER-DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN LANGUAGE MATERIALS. He suggested that such a committee would probably overlap, both in functions and in membership, existing interdepartmental committees for library and reference

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2. In line with the OTR hope for OO support which Mr. Stevens, Chief, Plans & Policy Staff, OTR, expressed prior to the 11 August meeting, (upon Mr. Reber's request for comment) the undersigned stated the possibility that some needed reference materials could be handled through the (proposed) committee, just as was arranged for Chinese language training texts (see attached memo 10 July 1952).

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3. It is felt, however, that OCD or OTR, not FDD, should be the clearing house for the special requirements of other offices (this, among other reasons, because (a) FDD, familiar only with its own needs, cannot properly assess reference materials to meet others' needs, and (b) OTR intends ~~to~~ external contracts to meet needs which may be shown to be inadequately met by either available reference materials or by materials made known to the proposed committee as being prepared).



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FROM:	TO :	NAME	INITIALS
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REMARKS:

Alerted Mr. Cam so that he
can inform his designee ^(CM) in
advance, assuming FDD
will be sent to the meeting -
both to contribute and
to state its own
requirements.

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